

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the first paragraph on page 22 with the following amended paragraph:

If yeast cells are used, the yeast may be of any species which are cultivable and in which an exogenous receptor can be made to engage the appropriate signal transduction machinery of the host cell. Suitable species include *Kluyverei lactis*, *Schizosaccharomyces pombe*, and *Ustilago maydis*; *Saxxharomyces cerevisiae* is preferred. Other yeast which can be used in practicing the present invention are *Neurospora crassa*, *Aspergillus niger*, *Aspergillus nidulans*, *Pichia pastoris*, *Candida tropicalis*, and *Hansenula polymorpha*. The ~~term~~ term "yeast", as used herein, includes not only yeast in a strictly taxonomic sense, i.e., unicellular organisms, but also yeast-like multicellular fungi or filamentous fungi.